

REMARKS

Applicants have amended the claims of the above-identified application in light of amendments made under PCT Article 34 in International (PCT) Application No. PCT/JP02/13434, filed December 24, 2002, of which the above-identified application is a National Stage application filed under 35 USC § 371; and in order to delete improper multiple dependency. Moreover, in light of deletion of improper multiple dependency, Applicants are adding new claims 27-39 to the application. Of these newly added claims, claims 27 and 28 recite subject matter expressly set forth in claim 13, but are dependent respectively on claims 4 and 5; and claims 29 and 30 recite subject matter expressly set forth in claim 15, but are dependent respectively on claims 9 and 10. Claims 31 and 32 recite subject matter expressly set forth in claims 17 and 18, respectively, but are each dependent on claim 16.

Note that claim 19 has been amended to recite a substrate having the multi-layer wiring board according to claim 13; in light thereof, Applicants have added new claim 33, also reciting such substrate, but dependent on claim 14.

In light of amendment of claim 19 to delete the alternative recitation of the multi-layer wiring board, Applicants are adding new claims 34 and 35 to the application. Claims 34 and 35 respectively expressly recite a multi-layer wiring board obtained by the manufacturing method according to claim 15 and to claim 16.

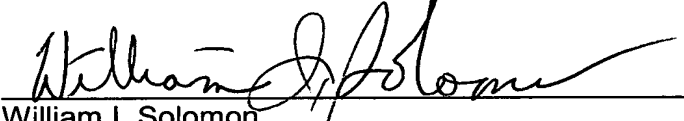
Claim 36 recites the same subject matter as expressly set forth in claim 21, but is dependent on claim 16; and claims 37-39 respectively expressly set forth subject matter in claims 23, 24 and 26, but are dependent respectively on claims 20, 22 and 25.

Entry of the present amendments, prior to examination of the above-identified application, is respectfully requested.

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